niece Knows, 'Cause He

Left a Tricycle.

WOODROW WASN'T THERE

BALTIMORE, Dec. 27 .- Tiny Josephine

Cothran, the four-year-old daughter of

Mrs. A. W. Cothran of Philadelphia.

talked glowingly of Santa Claus's v.sit

to her at the White House. Josephine

d up and down on her toes. big tr'cycle!" she exclaimed.

just did. I ate and ate. Then I rode my tricycle all over the White House

Then suddenly, with her eyes on her

"He really is married, you know. He

She tried to spell the name of the

aybe Woodrow will be back then."
"The White House man" and "Wood-

ow" are the names by which this little

ady refers to the President of the United States. She is a great favorite with the

CARUSO, SUED. SHUNS LAWYER.

Tenor Says Hiring of Attorney

Might Mean Double Loss.

Enrico Caruso, tenor of the Metropol

tan opera company, was served with a

approached Caruso this fall with a re-

minder he alleges the tenor said: "I am

getting too fat and I'm going to walk

The tenor, explaining the suit last night in his dressing room between the acts of the opera, admitted that he hired

Franco last year, but denied that he had promised him a job this season. Mr

Caruso said he would be in court this

norning, but had refused to retain counsel because, as he said, "I'd lose the

ALL FORD TALK BARRED.

Denmark Won't Let Pilgrims Meet

Either Publicly or Privately.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SON.

LONDON, Dec. 27 .- A Copenhagen der

Ford party to hold meetings in Denmark either public or private.

The peace pilgrims are due at Copen-

for the United States on the first avail-

On arriving in Copenhagen to-day Gov. Hanna of North Dakota, recently

a member of the Ford party, was admitted to a hospital to be treated for

the White House last year too

worked for him last year,

to-day in the City Court.

Santa Claus visited her at

visitor and a grave expression on her

Josephine paused. Then she began:

President's bride, but abandoned it.
"He's in Virginia." she said suddenly

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# PLEDGES U.S. **2000 PERATION TO** PAN-AMERICA Commissioner Criticised in

1,000 Delegates From 21 Republics Hear Lansing Expound Policy.

ONE FOR ALL AND ALL FOR ONE," MOTTO

nd scholarship represented by more an a thousand delegates from the republics of the Western the doctrine of Pan-Ameri- pires. formulated in precise terms Secretary Lansing at the open-Pan-American Scientific Con-

es clearly by the Chilean Ambassador, esident of the congress, and each of e chairmen of the twenty foreign dele-

nsing added, has progressed from the of individualism to the idea of the and is now verging upon the internationalism.

"Pan-Americanism." he said, "is an pression of the idea of international-Pan-Americanism is the most form of that idea."
ists of national and international
om all parts of the United States atries embraced within the

the congress.

Inaugural session was held in ental Memorial Hall, which was ted with the flags of the twenty-publics. As a prelude to the coff the congress the Pan-American was sung for the first time erica by a chorus of 125 voices. In the introduction of the president ngress, Eduardo Suarez Mujica, an Ambassador, Vice-President extended the welcome of the tates Government. He touched subject of preparedness and suggested that it might be well dean republics to come to for protecting themselves

a foreign foe. tary Lansing followed the Vicees on Pan-Americanism. In his e the Chilean Ambassador re-specifically to both addresses,

republics I am nevertheless conthat I am interpreting the United States to-day comast trace of past misunderstan er oneous interpretations which clouded the po rizon of America."

he Argentine delegation, de-at "nevermore than at the oment, while Europe is in the ssity to stand together uniformity in ideas, aspira-tendencies in politico-economic as in purely intellectual ideas.

address Mr. Lansing said; merica' will be the keynote r and inspire your thoughts

monarchical institutions rs to the south had won their

recent years the Government lent, to remind Europe that continues unaltered great family of nations ut their several destinies.

this later time, when the Ameritute a group separate and and common aspirations. at this feeling is general North and South America, ear by year it has increased come a potent influence ympathy and mutual inter-

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# Williams Quits P. S. Job; Denies Fear of Charges

Gas Case Goes Out With Cram.

WOOD ONLY DEMOCRAT LEFT AFTER FEB. 1

George V. S. Williams resigned yes terday as a member of the Public Service Commission for the First District. The resignation, which was taken to the Governor at Albany, is to become effective February 1, when the term of Commissioner J. Sergeant Cram ex-

It is known that the desire of Com-

missioner Williams to have his term end on the same day that another Democratic Commissioner leaves office is of particular significance. It is meant to give effect to an idea that the sconer those Commissioners who have been associated with fellow members against the chairmen of the twenty foreign deleations who responded to the address of
relcome delivered by the Vice-President
of the United States in the absence of
resident Wilson's personal welcome

Tresident Wilson's personal welcome President Wilson.

President Wilson's personal welcome was extended in the form of a telegram which was read to the congress. In the message he expressed the hope that its activities "will bind Americans still doser together throughout both contigents alike in sympathy and in purpose."

The Monroe Doctrine," said the Sectional policy of the Americans is an international policy of the Americans is an international policy of the Americans. The motives are to an extent different; the ends sought are the same."

The world in its political development,

The world in its political development,

#### Mr. Williams's Statement. In his statement the Commissioner

For some time I have contemplated resigning from the commission and returning to the practice of the law, but when the latest investigation was started I felt that I could scarcely in justice to myself retire while under fire.

Now that the investigating comnow that the investigating com-mittee has gone thoroughly into my actions, official and otherwise, and examined into my bank accounts so that my income as well as my outgo has been scrutinized and the only criticism appearing to be directed to a tentative opinion in a gas rate case in which certain members of the committee disagree with me, I have decided to retire with the expira-

on February 1.
I have accordingly sent my resignation to the Governor to take effect on January 31 at midnight, by which time I hope that the unfinished mat-ters now before the commission can

be disposed of.

To my friends, especially in Brooklyn, who have stood by the commission during the turbulent times since the signing of the dual contracts, I wish to express my heartfelt graticited. Toward those who have criticised I bear no ill will. I shall always feel proud of the part that I was permitted to take in the bringwas permitted to take in the bring-ing about of the great transit imried to completion, the only great provement Brooklyn has been to get for years and apparently the

No one has chafed over the delays incident to the construction more than I, and I hope that from this time the work will go, on more rapidly and that my successor will be spared investigations, charges, Grand Jury inquiries and the like and be permitted to do his work on the commission, for the public must real-ize that if public officials are to exer-cise their best judgment and ful. cise their best judgment and abilities they must be free from continuous investigations. But in saying this I do not mean to imply that they should not be held to the fullest acshould not be their public acts.

## Move a Complete Surprise.

The resignation of Commissioner Willof Pan-American spirit and tams was a complete surprise. Reporters were summoned to his office at 6 o'clock last night by James B. Walker, at this early meeting of the this early meeting of the assistant secretary of the commission ice it is my earnest hope Commissioner Williams and Commis sioner Hayward were together in the

influence your relations with r and inspire your thoughts a century has passed since Monroe prociaimed to the famous doctrine as the national control of the national control of the famous doctrine as the national control of the na by of the United States. It let me know if he did not find him. I let me know if he did not find him. I have not heard from him and assume this republic would be imtherefore that the resignation is in the

hands of the Governor." European Power over terri-hemisphere. Conceived in by the investigation of the Th "Has your resignation been prompted committee?" asked some one after the written statement of the Commissioner

was uttered at a time when that to the south had won their and were gradually adapt.

If I thought that the Thompson comves to the exercise of their red rights. To those strugs the doctrine became a shield great European Power great European Power struggers and the exercise of their mittee was going to bring anything up against me, to resign would be the last thing I would do."

Commissioner added that present plan is to resume the practice at 55 Liberty street, where he that address, but Mr. Williams had noth-

ing to say about resuming practice as Mr. Williams said that he hoped his successor would be a Brooklyn man and that he thought it would be well if two

As for the real reason behind, his resignation, his friends say that he has felt most keenly the possible effects of the allegation made before the Thompson legislative committee that Commissione Wood sought money from the Switch and Signal Company for e responsibilities and priviage resp allegation and others connected with it are, being investigated by the Grand

## First Hint of Graft.

Commissioner Williams felt the smart of that accusation against his colleague. It was the first intimation of dishonesty on the part of any Commissioner, although the investigation began early last spring. Judge McCall was removed as chairman, but in the long list of charges against him there was not a him of anything like graft. His friends Commissioner Williams felt the smart hint of anything like graft. His friends

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Provides Reference of Troubles to The Hague.

to Stop Submarines Is Enough May Be Used.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27 .- That the Austrian Government by half way concesof diplomatic relations with Washing-Austro-German diplomatic quarters. partment from Vienna and Berlin tothe extreme delicacy of the situation Secretary of State Lansing is taking extraordinary precautions to prevent such information from becoming public in advance of receipt of Austria's reply to the second American note on the

That Austria likewise might suggest an arbitration of one of the features of her dispute with the United States is suggested by the fact that a treaty of arbitration exists between the two Powers. It was one of the treaties which Elihu Root negotiated with a number of Powers when he was Secretary of State in 1909. Whether the United States would feel itself bound to arbitrate under this treaty would depend on whether it would regard the matter at issue as coming within the expressions "vital interests" and "honor" in the clienting areas and contract. in the following paragraph of the treaty:

Differences which may arise of a Differences which may arise of a legal nature, or relating to the interpretation of treaties existing between the high contracting parties and which it may not have been possible to settle by diplomacy, shall be referred to the permanent court of arbitration established at The Hague by the convention of the twenty-ninth of July, 1899; provided nevertheless that they do not affect the vital interest, the independence, or the honor of the high contracting parties, and do not concern the interests of third parties. No such treaty exists between the

is the grandulece of the President and by invitation spent Christmas eve at the Executive Mansion. She is now That hope for an amicable settlement That hope for an amicable settlement of the controvers, has not been abandoned, at least by Germany, is indicated from the fact learned to-night that Ambassador- von Bernstorff, who returned to Washington to-day from the Adirondacks, where he spent Christmas, is prepared to resume negotiations with Secretary Lansing for a final disposition of the Lustrange case. here with her mother, visiting Joseph K. Wilson, the Pres.dent's brother, and it was at his frome she spoke with enthusiasm of her experience.

"Yes, Indeed, Santa Claus did come "Yes, Indeed, Santa Claus did come to the White House this year," she said. "I was all asleep in my little bed when I heard big feet upstairs. Uncle Stock [Prof. Stockton Axton, the brother of the first Mrs. Wilson] creut into my room and told me it was Sahta Claus. I closed my eyes quckly, so I wouldn't see him, 'cause Santa Claus won't bring you anything if you look at him. Uncle Stock he was a bad man, because he didn't bow to Santa Claus. You must position of the Lusitania case. At the German Embassy there is confidence that in spite of Germany's unwillingness to go the whole length demanded by the United States the matter will be adjusted within a short time to the satisfaction of both countries.

There seems to be a disposition at

didn't bow to Santa Claus. You must bow to Santa Claus, or he won't like it. bow to Santa Claus, or he won't like it.
"The next morning I opened my eyes
and what do you 'spec was right by my at Vienna into the submarine attack on the Japanese liner Yasaka Maru which,

records go it cannot be shown that Leigh, the passenger said to be an American, was actually of that nation-ality. Leigh carried no American passall the other things Santa Claus brought me. They didn't make me eat it. I just did. I ate and ate. Then I rode port, which would be prima facie evi dence of American citizensh "You see, the White House man isn't ere now. He's all married."

this time are providing themselves with passports it is believed that Leigh, who travelling on an English passport. If will under no circumstances concern itself with the attack on the Yasaka Maru. If, on the contrary, he was with-out any passport Leigh himself will have to establish voluntarily his na-steamships had been sunk by subtionality before the United States would

## Full Compliance or Break.

Whether the half way concessions which Austria is preparing to make, according to embassy gossip, in response ong the controversy or precipitate break officials of the American Govern ment are not prepared to say in advance of the reply. That they will fail to Satisfy this Government seems likely.

Austria, according to this forecast, will offer to make reparation for the lives of the American citizens who perished and a chauffeur, to recover \$1,000. Franco alleges that he was promised a position as the tenor's chauffeur this year, having by the United States in its correspond

matic quarters, either disavow the at tack or punish the submarine comman der. The demands of the United States his year, so I won't need you."
Franco's suit is scheduled to come up to Austria were for reparation, dis-avowal and punishment of the subma-

rine commander.

According to the view in Austro-German circles disavowal by Austria would be out of the question, inasmuch as it appears from the original official state-ments from Vienna that the Austrian Admiralty instructions to the submarin commander were to prevent the escape of the Ancona. There has been nothing to show in these advices that the com-mander acted contrary to orders in sinking the vessel while she was standing still with passengers on board. Thus it is said Austria cannot disavow the act and denounce her orders as "illegal and indefensible"

## Like Lusitania Case.

As was pointed out to-night in emcircles, the situation is not alto the Lusitania controversy. Of German the United States demanded reparation The peace pilgrims are due at Copenhagen on the morning of December 30.

A majority of them will probably start ances for the future given. These assurances for the future given. henceforth German submarine com manders would act under rules in con with the position taken by States. Disavowal was iven. It has never been given. It is this point that the negotiations with FLORIDA—SUPERIOR SERVICE via triantic Coast Line: "N. Y. & Florida Spe-in!" leaves 2:12 P. M., effective Jan. 3rd. 3 ther Limited Trains Daily. 1198 B'way.— Germany are still pending.

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# U. S. TO ARBITRATE 79 DIE; NO WARNING

Treaty Negotiated by Root Vile de la Ciotat Torpedoed by Submarine in the Mediterranean.

DISAVOWAL IS UNLIKELY NO AMERICANS ABOARD

Germany's Plea That Promise British Steamship Picks Up Many of the Passengers and Crew.

PARIS, Dec. 27 .- The Ministry of Marine announced to-day that a submarine sions will seek to prevent a severance had torpedoed the French steamship Ville de la Ciotat without warning in the ton is a forecast put forth to-night in Mediterranean on December 24. The vessel was sunk. Most of the passengers Whether this forecast is borne out in and crew are said to have been saved. despatches received at the State De- The statement from the Ministry of Marine is as follows:

The steamship Ville de la Clotat was torpedoed and sunk on the 24th in the Mediterranean by an enemy sub-marine without warning. A majority of the passengers and crew were

The Ville de la Clotat, of 6,378 tons, was 487 feet long, with a fifty foot beam. She was one of the biggest ships which has been sunk in the Mediterranean recently. She was built at La Clotat, France, in 1892, and was owned by the Messageries Maritimes of Marseilles. The last report of her was that she had reached Saigon, Indo-China, December 1, on her way to Marseilles from Yokohama.

#### 79 REPORTED LOST.

Washington Hears No Americans

cording to a report from the American Consul at Malta, received to-day at the State Department. No Americans were

The ship was torpedoed without warning at 10:15 o'clock on December 24, and sank within fifteen minutes.

7 LOST ON PORTO SAID. ian Liner.

Paris, Dec. 27.—A Milan despatch says that six passengers und one of the crew of the Italian liner Porto Said were lost when that vessel was sunk in the Mediterranean by an Austrian sub-marine. Other passengers and members of the crew, 150 in all, were saved.

of the crew, 150 in all, were saved.

An Italian destroyer answered the liner's call for aid and pursued the submarine several miles, but the Austrian craft escaped by diving. The destroyer after rescuing the Porto Said's passengers and crew took into port at Derna a Greek steamer that had watched the individual of the said of t

The Porto Said displaced 5.301 tons particulars.

# British Steamer Arlanca's Loss

on December 10 by a floating mine off the Russian port of Archangel, according to information which reached shipping circles in this city yesterday. The news was suppressed by

British censor, according to present information, for fear the neutral ship owners would become alarmed at the dangers to navigation in Russian waters. The Arlanza was owned by the Royal Mail Steam Packet Company and had a displacement of 15,044 tons, being only slightly smaller than the Arabic foot beam. She was built in 1912 and it is believed that the British Govern

#### BELGIAN SHIP SUNK. Two British Steamers Also Lost

LONDON, Dec. 27 .- The sinking of The Belgian steamship Ministre Beer naert was sunk and the crew got away in boats, two of which are missing. Boats containing thirty of the crew have

The British steamships Cottingham. 513 tons, and the Hadley, 1,777 tons gross, have been sunk and the crews of The British steamship Embla, 1,172 tons, has been beached at the mouth of Thames, aftre forward.

The Ministre Beernaert, of 4,215 tons and owned in Anvers by the Belgo-Argentine Company. She last reported as having reached London from La Plata on November 23.

## NEW WILSON SLOGAN FRAMED

Records to Back It.

ping was larger than for any rec year. Friends of the President regu

which has set in
The President's friends say that the
combination of peace and prosperity

nsive character of the prosperity

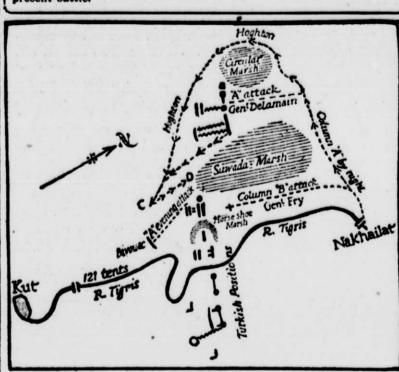
#### \$1,000,000 FUND IS RAISED. lewish Relief Committee Succeed

in Great Public Collection. The efforts of the Jewish Relief Com-mittee to collect a special fund of \$1,-000,000 by to-day have been accom-

About 400 persons and committee sent checks and money in the mail that arrived yesterday. These totalled \$98.911. So with the \$992,000 already collected the special fund was reached.

# AUSTRIA MAY FORCE FRENCH LINER SUNK; LLOYD GEORGE THREATENS TO LEAVE CABINET UNLESS CONSCRIPTION IS ORDERED

THE accompanying diagram shows the operations at the first battle of Kut-el-Amara, September 27-28, in which the Turks were badly defeated by the British, who were then on the march up the Tigris toward Bagdad. The manœuvres of that battle are interesting at this moment because they reveal the character of the land about Kut-el-Amara and are very likely, in reverse order, parallel to the



# WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Seventy-nine persons were drowned in the sinking of the French liner Ville de la Clotat, according to a province of the person to a recording to a record from the sinking of the present to a record from the sinking of the present to a record from the sinking of the present to a record from the sinking of the present to a record from the sinking of the present to a record from the sinking of the present to a record from the sinking of the present to a record from the sinking of the present to a record from the sinking of the present the sinking of the s at Kut-el-Amara, Fiercely Fights Big Turkish Force

Gen. Townshend's Men Seem to Be Hemmed In-Enemy Storms and Enters Fort-Sinussi Reported to Have Defeated English.

LONDON, Dec. 27 .- The British army the Tigris is bottled up at Kut-el-Amara and is making a desperate last stand against a large Turkish force. This is apparent from an official announcement given out here to-day indicating that the British Mesopotamia force, which has been in retreat before

dad, is in a precarious position. There is grave fear that it has been surrounded and that its communications with the statement says: base at Bassorah have been cut of the British army, which is estimated at 30,000, reported to-day that a fierce battle raged on Friday and Christmas The British steamer Arlanza was sunk Day, apparently with an entire Turkish division engaged. A breach was made by the Turks in the fort defences and a

the Turks, after the defeat below Bag-

200 dead behind. Later severe fighting for possession of the fort occurred, and the Turks managed to capture the northern bastion. On Christmas morning they were forced to retire from this bastion, however, and, having suffered heavy losses, did not turn to the attack. The report from Gen. Townshend is as

The enemy fired heavily on Thursday night, but did not attack. In the morning and afternoon our position was heavily shelled and the enemy effeeted a breach in the fort and forced an entrance. He was driven out, leav-The fort is the work on the right flank of the enemy's landward position on the north side of the Kut Penin-

Friday at midnight there was flerce fighting for possession of tort. The enemy effected a lodgme in the northern bastion, but we ejected. He attacked again and oc-cupied the bastion. The garrison of Oxford Light Infantry and the 103d held the intrenchment and enemy vacated the bastion.

On Saturday morning the enemy re-tired to his trenches 400 to 900 yards to the rear, although the attack had been made from trenches 100 yards from the breach. The rest of Saturday was quiet. garrison is in excellent spirits

and has reoccupied the bastion. The enemy's casualties are estimated at 700, while ours are 190 killed and ounded.

A whole Turkish division appears to

are "more than a division," but exactly how much more has never been an-nounced. Since the British were driven Washington, Dec. 27.—A close scru-tiny of reports from every section of the low Bagdad, and began the retreat Amara, there was much criticism of the War Office in the House of Commons because, as was said then, not more than one division (about 25,000 men) had been sent on so important an expedition.

Harold J. Tennant, Parliamentary Under Secretary for the War Office, said

> The Turkish official report on the fighting at Kut-el-Amara, issued on Saturday last, said that the "encircling

REPORT BRITISH DEFEAT. Turks Say Commander and 300 Men Were Killed in Exypt.

Special Cable Despotch to The Sun.

—Prince von Buelow, the former Gerkeep the strength of the army up to recerne and resumed his quiet life at a
ports the defeat of British forces on hotel there. It was reported that he had
the western frontier of Egypt, among left Berne for Germany. western frontier of Egypt, among left Berne for Germany.

the killed being the commander of the British force and 300 soldiers. The statement says:

Senussi troops are successfully attacking the English. The region of Siva is almost completely cleared of In an attack on Matruh, 240 miles to the east of Solium Bay, the com-mander and 300 English soldiers were k.lied. The remainder fled, leaving

negarding the Dardanelles front the We directed artillery fire against sedd-ul-Bahr the enemy used a large

## number of air torpedoes.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, Dec. 27.—The press bureau matter of compulsory service. After officially denied to-day assertions made in a Turkish official statement that body of them managed to enter. Later, however, they were driven out, leaving ing on the western frontier of Egypt. to be convinced and to give their vote

The press bureau statement says: ere was no fighting from Decem-4 to December 24 between Arabs and British on the western frontier of

force, which was located eight miles from Samatru, was attacked and dis-persed. The British losses were trifling.

in First Kut-el-Amara Fight. In his operations immediately preced- forward. ing the first battle of Kut-el-Amara, Compusion or no compulsion is at Gen. Townshend, the British commander, last the clearly cut question before concentrated his division, about 25,000 the Cabinet. If it fails to vote for

the Kut-el-Amara region, advanced along the north side of the Tigris south of the Suwada Marsh to a point just beyond range of the Turkish guns encamped for the night. advancing along the south shore of the north shore and under cover of

darkness made a forced march around the eastern side of the Suwada Marsh. The main body advanced directly to the soon be formed. sh intrenchments at 4:20 in the morn- the situation, speaks of

first Turkish trenches. More troops followed, and by \$1:20 o'clock, when the first of Gen. Houghton's men appeared, all of the Turkish positions between the the Chronicle, a Liberal paper, voices

Then Gen. Houghton proceeded on his march to C in hope of being able to come up in the rear of the Turks holding the lines north of Horseshoe Marsh. ing the lines north of Horseshoe Marsh. But at C he came into range of very heavy artillery fire and had to with-draw to D. There he effected a complete junction with Gen. Delamain's column and together they proceeded around the southwestern side of Suwada Marsh. Gen. Fry had been making only slow progress against the Horseshoe positions all day, but toward evening when Gens. Houghton and Delamain came to his assistance the Turks were finally driven out of their defences and disappeared, leaving the British in complete possession of the Kut-el-Amara lines.

## VON BUELOW AT LUCERNE.

Ex-German Chancellor Has Not Left Switzerland, as Reported. BERNE, Switzerland, via Paris, Dec. 27.

Wants Compulsion Limited to Single Men Who Refuse to Enlist.

DERBY PLAN FAILS TO RAISE ENOUGH MEN

Vast Number of Unmarried Refuse to Fight for Country.

MINISTERS CANNOT REACH AGREEMENT

After Stormy Session Decide to Resume Discussion This Morning.

#### ASQUITH'S PLEDGE ON CONSCRIPTION

Premier Asquith's pledge on the conscription issue in England was made plain in a published statement from the official press bureau on November 11 last. That statement was as follows:

The Premier pledged not only imself but the Government when he stated that if the young men did not under the stress of na-tional duty come forward voluntarily other and compulsory means would be taken before married men were called upon to fulfil their engagement to

Special Cable Despatch to THE ST LONDON, Dec. 27 .- David Lloyd Seorge, the Daily Mail announces, has threatened to resign his place as Minister of Munitions and quit the Cabicompulsory enlistment of all unmarried men who have failed to offer material.
[Matruh is 150 miles west of Alex- to do so. Mr. Lloyd George made his declaration to Premier Asquith to-day before the Cabinet went into session

question of conscription. Great Britain is to-night on the brink of another governmental rupture. The Cabinet has split on the that certain of the Ministers refused to Lloyd George's demands. It being impossible to arrive at an agreement, the session was adjourned until to-

Lord Derby's enlistment plan has failed. That at least appears certain as a result of to-day's Cabinet disagreement. His report was taken up BRITISH STRATEGY WON. by the Cabinet and was the chief topic discussion. The figures plainly Gen. Townshend Outwitted Tarks showed that a vast number of single men have absolutely refused to come

men, at Nakhaliat on September 26. The next day, having prepared his plan of attack, he divided his forces into two columns. A under Gen. Delamain and B under Gen. Fry. Column B, as shown on the map of of the leading politicians are doin

## Cabinet Disorganized.

No one fails to realize the serious-Meanwhile column A made a feint of ness of the present crisis. If Premier Tigris, but at dusk was quickly recalled that conscription would follow a failure of Lord Derby's enlistment campaign his own position, in the opinion There a detachment under Gen, of many, will be a very precarious one Houghton left the main body and pro- Again to-day Lloyd George is mendeeded to make its way around Circular thoned as his successor in the new Marsh to come up on the Turkish flank. Cabinet which many prophecy will

The Times, commenting editorially or pg.

Column A began the attack at dayexpectation that Premier Asquith will
break. A brilliant charge carried the
fulfil his piedge as the Northeliffe papers

all of the Turkish positions between the Suwada and Circular marshes were captured.

Then Gen. Houghton proceeded on his not mean an instant inauguration of

compulsion for its own sake.

The Northeliffe papers have from first interpreted the Prime Miles as meaning that if a considerable num ber of single men did not attest them selves compulsion would immediately be applied. On the other hand, the articalled upon before single men and that campaign has been such that many weeks must elapse before there is even

a possibility of calling on married mer

The Daily Telegraph is the only paper that does not refer to the Cabinet being involved in a crisis. This paper expresses alarm lest further extension o time will be granted for measures to keep the strength of the army up to re